

**Promoting CPR Training And Placement Of Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's) For Public Access In County Buildings, Educational Institutions, Businesses, Community Based Organizations And Towns, Villages And The City Of Kingston – Amending The 2008 Ulster County Budget**

The Health Services Committee (Chairman R.S. Parete and Legislators Briggs, Stoeckeler, Terpening, Petit, Roberti and Ronk) offers the following:

WHEREAS, data from the New York State Department of Health, the Hudson Valley Regional EMS Center and the Ulster County Emergency Management Office indicate that approximately 105 residents die each year due to sudden cardiac arrest, and cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in Ulster County and in the nation, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has been placing Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's) in County buildings since 2005 and offering training to county employees, and

WHEREAS, data shows that knowledge and execution of recognizing there is a problem, contacting 911 immediately, starting CPR and early defibrillation to deliver a shock to the heart and early advance care can increase the survival rate from about 5% to 20% or more, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature understands the importance of these life-saving devices by supporting the placement of AED's in County owned and leased buildings, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has adopted the Heart Safe Communities program in collaboration with American Heart Association based on incentives and recognition of all those who meet specific criteria that have the potential for saving lives of sudden cardiac arrest victims through the use of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the increases public access to defibrillation, and

WHEREAS, the Health Services Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

RESOLVED, that the County Purchasing Agent has been authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 45 dated February 19, 2008 to advertise for bids for the purchase of self-testing AED's for the County and, as part of the bid conditions, the successful bidder shall provide a certain number of devices at the bid price to towns, villages, the city, associations and businesses located in the County, and

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RESOLVED, the Ulster County Heart Safe Task Force is authorized to promote the Ulster County Heart Safe Communities Program through distribution of the application packet and promotional efforts to get as many AED's located in public access points in the County, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2008 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**TRANSFER**

**FROM**

A4-1331-4553  
(App. #)

Contingent Account

**AMOUNT**

\$5,000.00

**TO**

A4-2205-4348  
(App. #)

Education/Training Services

**AMOUNT**

\$5,000.00

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$5,000.00 – TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENT ACCOUNT/BUDGETED